Make It In America Enacted Laws

Sixteen <u>Make It In America</u> bills have already been signed into law and are helping to foster an environment that encourages manufacturers to innovate, grow, and keep and create good jobs in the U.S.:



- U.S. Manufacturing Enhancement Act: Makes it cheaper for American companies to obtain the materials they need to manufacture goods. [Public Law 111-227, signed into law 08/11/10]
- Protecting American Patents: Helps the Patent Office to begin to unclog the backlog—totaling about 1.2 million pending applications—by giving the agency access to more of the fees it collects so that patent applications can continue to be processed and innovative ideas can continue to move to market. [Public Law 111-224, signed into law 08/10/10]
- Preventing Outsourcing: Prevents the outsourcing of U.S. jobs by closing tax loopholes that encourage companies to send U.S. jobs overseas. [Public Law 111-226, signed into law 08/10/10]
- Small Business Jobs Act: Expands much needed lending to millions of small businesses and offers tax incentives to help small businesses grow, hire, and fuel our economy, without adding a dime to the deficit. [Public Law 111-240, signed into law 09/27/10]
- Energy Jobs and Training for Veterans Act: Provides grants for programs to provide on-the-job training, apprenticeship, real experience, and long-term employment in all energy fields. [Public Law 111-275, signed into law 10/13/10]
- America COMPETES Reauthorization Act: Establishes innovative technology federal loan guarantees for small- and medium-sized manufacturers and invests in science, technology, engineering, and math education. [Public Law 111-358, signed into law 01/04/11]
- Reauthorization of Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs: The six-year reauthorization ensures that the nation's small, high-tech, and innovative businesses are a significant part of the federal government's research and development efforts. [Public Law 112-81, signed into law 12/31/11]
- Leahy-Smith America Invents Act: Improves the patent system to provide incentives for companies to continue innovating and manufacturing in the U.S. [Public Law 112-29, signed into law 09/16/11]
- Export-Import Bank Reauthorization Act: Reauthorizes the Export-Import Bank for three years, ending uncertainty for businesses and providing the resources needed to keep American exporters competitive. [Public Law 112-122, signed into law 05/30/12]
- Surface Transportation Reauthorization: Funds infrastructure improvements that will support manufacturing, spur economic growth, and create jobs in our communities. [Public Law 112-141, signed into law 07/06/12]

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act: Reauthorizes the Workforce Investment Act in a way that ensures that adults, youth, dislocated workers and people with disabilities can receive the assistance they need to succeed in the job market, helps workers obtain jobs and build careers through strategic partnerships, and enables businesses to identify and hire qualified personnel to grow and continue our economic recovery. [Public Law 113-128, signed into law 07/22/14]
 - American Manufacturing Efficiency & Retraining Investment Collaboration (AMERICA Works) Act (Rep. Schneider and Rep. Barletta, H.R. 497): Strengthens our workforce by helping American workers earn certifications, degrees, and qualifications for the jobs American industry needs to fill. [Public Law 113-128, signed into law 07/22/14]
 - Strengthening Employment Clusters to Organize Regional Success (SECTORS) Act (Rep. Loebsack, H.R. 919): Facilitates partnerships between employers, educators, and local workforce administrators to train workers for some of the most needed 21st century jobs. – [Public Law 113-128, signed into law 07/22/14]
 - The On-The-Job Training Act (Rep. Crowley, H.R. 3971): Authorizes the Department of Labor to set up a separate, competitive grant program so local agencies, school districts, industry associations and institutions of higher education can establish and support local on-the-job (OJT) training programs. These programs connect unemployed workers with jobs and give employers assistance in providing workers with training for industry-recognized skills and credentials. [Public Law 113-128, signed into law 07/22/14]
 - O Adult Education and Economic Growth Act (Rep. Hinojosa, H.R. 3697): Increases investment in adult education and coordinates and integrates adult education with occupational skills training, postsecondary education, and career pathways. Our economy will not recover to its full potential unless we invest in adult education and support adult learners and workers in developing the knowledge and skills they need to compete in the global economy. [Public Law 113-128, signed into law 07/22/14]
- American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act of 2013 (Rep. Lipinski, H.R. 2447): Directs the White House National Science and Technology Council, in consultation with business, labor and academia, to develop a national manufacturing competitiveness strategy that will attract manufacturing businesses to our shores, help them compete overseas, enable innovation, and encourage them to expand and create well-paying jobs here in the U.S. [Public Law 113-235, signed into law 12/16/14]

Many of these laws passed with strong bipartisan support. Democrats hope that both parties will come together during the 114th Congress to pass additional Make It In America bills so we can grow our economy, put more Americans back to work, and ensure the middle class can Make It In America.